Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment of Acceptance of R.S. 2477 Right-of-Way Grant

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LOUISE JONES, Recorder
SAN JUAN COUNTY CORPORATION
THE STATE OF UTAH

# TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, Greeting:

**Know ye,** This is an Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment made under Utah Code Sections 72-5-309 through 310 inclusive, that the grant of the United States of America of "the right of way for the construction of highways over public lands, not reserved for public uses" under United States Revised Statutes 2477 (43 U.S.C. Section 932 (repealed October 21, 1976, with proviso recognizing the validity of rights-of-way already established)) was accepted for and on behalf of the State of Utah and its political subdivision San Juan County as it pertains to the highway located in San Juan County known as WEST BIG CANYON ROAD; County Road Number: B294; State Geographic Information Database (SGID) Road Identification Number: RD190327. Total road length is 0.46 miles more or less.

The reason for this Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment includes, but is not limited to, the fact that the road was constructed, mechanically, or by continuous use as a public highway for a period of at least ten years, over public lands not reserved for public uses, prior to the earlier of (a) the October 21, 1976 repeal of R.S. 2477 or (b) the date the servient estate was reserved for public uses.

This Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment applies only to the segments of the road that traverse land owned by the Bureau of Land Management, United States Department of the Interior, and does not apply to segments of the road that traverse land owned by any other person or entity. The State of Utah and its political subdivisions reserve the right to make further acknowledgments and notices of acknowledgment with regard to road segments that traverse land owned by other entities, including the United States of America, through one or more of its agencies.

A printed copy of a map showing the location of the road in said county is appended hereto as "Attachment 1," a printed copy of representative photos of the road is appended hereto as "Attachment 2," a printed copy of a description of the beginning and ending points of the entire road together with a list of Townships, Ranges and Sections that may be traversed by the road in said county is appended hereto as "Attachment 3," and a printed copy of the Road Centerline Description Cover Page(s) is appended hereto as "Attachment 4." The Appendices listed in "Attachment 4" that contain the actual road centerline descriptions are incorporated herein by reference. Affidavits provided by individuals familiar with the road are appended hereto as "Attachment 5."

A printed copy of this Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment, together with its Attachments and Appendices, may be viewed and/or obtained at the office of the Utah State Archives.

An electronic copy of this Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment, together with its Attachments and Appendices, may be viewed and/or downloaded as read-only PDF (Portable Document Format) files via the

Internet at http://recorded2477roads.utah.gov.

The owner of the servient estate in the land underlying the road-segments subject to this Acknowledgment and Notice is believed to be the United States of America through one or more of its agencies. Any of such agencies or any other person with a servient ownership claim or a competing dominant estate right-of-way ownership claim, may file a petition in the State District Court for Salt Lake County for a decision regarding the correctness of this Acknowledgment. A claimant shall file a petition within sixty (60) days after receipt of this Notice.

In Witness Whereof, I, John Harja, the official designee of the Governor of the State of Utah, in conformity to the laws of the State (Utah Code Sections 72-5-308 through 310 inclusive), have caused this Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment to be made.

Signed by my hand in Salt Lake City, Utah, the 22 day of may, 200 8.

By the Governor's Designee

### CERTIFICATION

State of Utah	)	
	: SS	
County of Salt Lake	)	

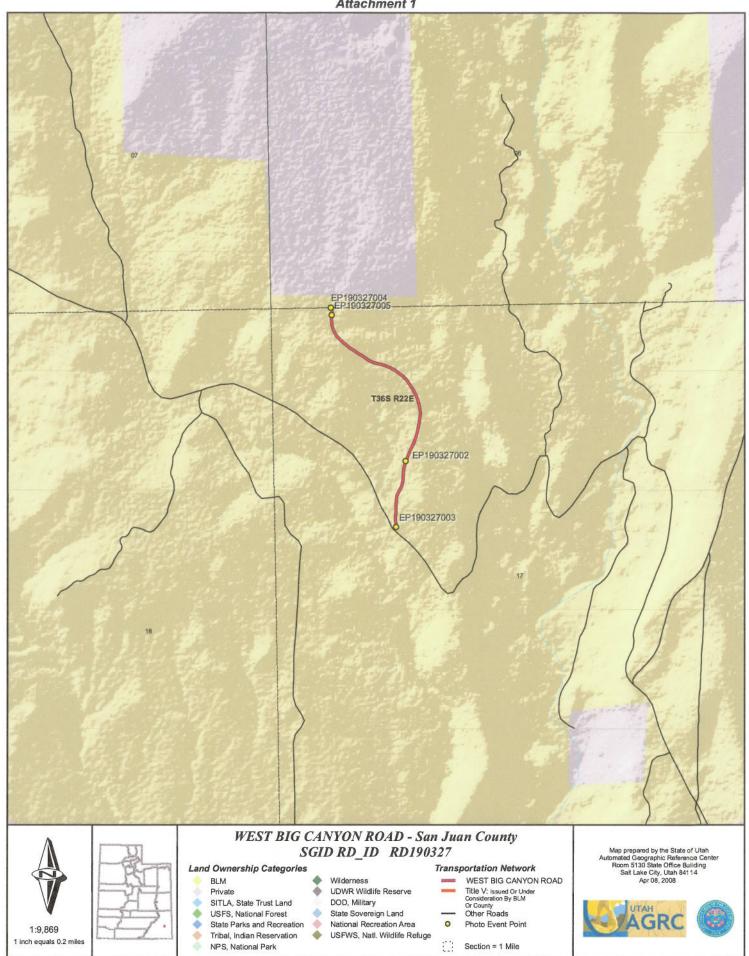
I hereby certify that the signer of the foregoing document, John Harja, is personally known by me, has made a voluntary signature and taken an oath stating that he is the official designee of the Governor of the State of Utah and is authorized to sign this document on the Governor's behalf pursuant to Utah Code Section 72-5-309. He further vouched that, based upon information and belief, the facts alleged therein are true.

NOTARY PUBLIC PAMELA Z. BLACKHAM 5110 State Office Bldg

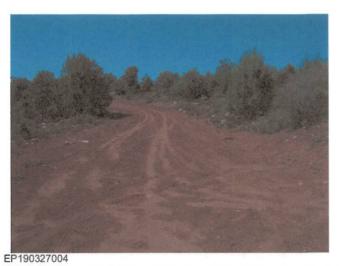
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Notary Public











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WEST BIG CANYON ROAD - San Juan County SGID RD\_ID RD190327

Map prepared by the State of Utah Automated Geographic Reference Center Room 5130 State Office Building Sait Lake City, Utah 84114 April 11, 2008



#### Attachment 3

#### Beginning & Ending Points and Township, Range, and Section References For:

Popular Name: WEST BIG CANYON ROAD

County: San Juan

County Road Number: B294

State Geographic Information Database (SGID) Road Identification Number: RD190327.

Total Road Length: 0.46 miles more or less.

Beginning at a point on the road centerline located at 37 degrees 39 minutes 32.18 seconds North Latitude and -109 degrees 31 minutes 36.33 seconds West Longitude, which can be converted to mapping accuracy State Plane Utah South Zone NAD 83 feet coordinates of X = 2,211,588.0 feet and Y = 10,209,829.3 feet based on the US Survey Foot conversion.

Ending at a point on the road centerline located at 37 degrees 39 minutes 51.92 seconds North Latitude and -109 degrees 31 minutes 42.95 seconds West Longitude, which can be converted to mapping accuracy State Plane Utah South Zone NAD 83 feet coordinates of X = 2,211,013.3 feet and Y = 10,211,814.4 feet based on the US Survey Foot conversion.

This road may traverse:

Township 36 South Range 22 East, Section(s) 8,17, Salt Lake Base & Meridian See Attachment 1 above for a cartographic depiction of the course of this road.

# Attachment 4 Road Centerline Description Cover Page(s)

Popular Name: WEST BIG CANYON ROAD

County: San Juan

County Road Number: B294

State Geographic Information Database (SGID) Road Identification Number: RD190327.

Total Road Length: 0.46 miles more or less.

Centerline Descriptions Of Road-Segments That Cross Over Federally Owned Land, Derived From Global Positioning System Data And Cross-checked against USGS Digital Orthophoto Quadrangles Compiled By The Utah Automated Geographic Reference Center And Entered Into The State Geographic Information Database (SGID).

Road-Segments Listed by SGID Road Identification Number (RD ID)	Road-Segment Numbers	Believed Ownership Of Servient Estate	Approximate Segment Length	See Attached Appendix
RD190327	001	BLM	0.46 Miles	A
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Total Road Length	0.46	

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates that a Title V permit will be requested, is in process, or has been issued.

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<sup>†</sup> Indicates that road-segments crossing Forest Service land are under consideration by the state and county as of the date of this Acknowledgment and Notice of Acknowledgment.

# Attachment 5

#### AFFIDAVIT OF RICHARD I. WATKINS

# WEST BIG CANYON ROAD

#### SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH

#### **COUNTY ROAD NUMBER B294**

State of Utah	)	
	: ss	
County of San Juan	)	

Richard I. Watkins, being first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

- I am an adult competent to testify about the matters set forth below based upon
  my personal knowledge. I currently reside in San Juan County, Utah. I have lived in San Juan
  County since 1937.
- 2. I have traveled and am familiar with a road in San Juan County known as West Big Canyon Road. I am also familiar with the land the road traverses. When I first used and observed the road in the mid 1950's, it followed the same route as in 2000, when I last observed it. Attached is a San Juan County map showing West Big Canyon Road. To the best of my knowledge and based upon my use of and familiarity with this road and the land it traverses, the location and route of the road are correctly illustrated on the attached map.
- I am informed that the County identifies this road according to the road number described above.
- 4. I have observed that the road has been open to the public for all to use, to come and go as they pleased, since at least as early as the mid 1950's and continuing through 1976 to 2000. Throughout this time period I have observed travel on the road by various means, including: automobile, pickup, jeep, ATV and horse. Throughout this time period, the road was

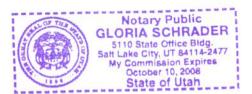
used daily, weather permitting, for more than 10 continuous years prior to 1976, and was used daily, weather permitting, in 2000.

- 5. Throughout the time period from the mid 1950's to 2000, I have used the road myself for the following uses: sight-seeing, farming, wood gathering and hunting.
- 6. Throughout the time period described in the previous paragraph, I observed vehicles using the road at various times for the uses described in the previous paragraph, plus the following uses: ATV use and recreation.
- 7. It is also the reputation in the community that this road has been open to the public for all to use, to come and go as they pleased, since at least as early as 1950 and continuing through 1976 to the present, for the uses described in the previous paragraphs.
  - 8. I observed the graded surface prior to 1976.

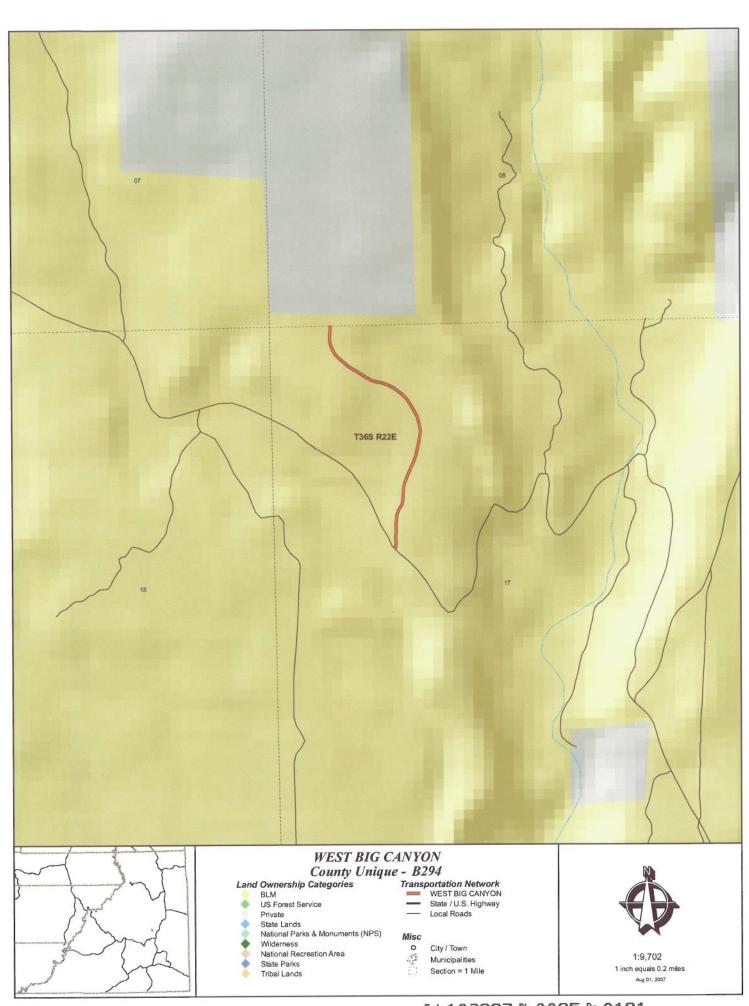
Dated this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of September, 2007.

Richard 1. Walkins

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 19th day of September, 2007.



Notary Public



# AFFIDAVIT OF ALBERT E. STEELE

#### WEST BIG CANYON ROAD

#### SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH

#### **COUNTY ROAD NUMBER B294**

State of Utah	)
	: SS
County of San Juan	)

Albert E. Steele, being first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

- I am an adult competent to testify about the matters set forth below based upon
  my personal knowledge. I currently reside in San Juan County, Utah. I have lived in San Juan
  County for 60 years.
- 2. I have traveled and am familiar with a road in San Juan County known as West Big Canyon Road. I am also familiar with the land the road traverses. When I first used and observed the road in 1960, it followed the same route as in 2002, when I last observed it.

  Attached is a San Juan County map showing West Big Canyon Road. To the best of my knowledge and based upon my use of and familiarity with this road and the land it traverses, the location and route of the road are correctly illustrated on the attached map.
- I am informed that the County identifies this road according to the road number described above.
- 4. I have observed that the road has been open to the public for all to use, to come and go as they pleased, since at least as early as 1960 and continuing through 1976 to 2002. Throughout this time period I have observed travel on the road by various means, including: pickup, automobile, other truck, camper, jeep and oil equipment. Throughout this time period,

the road was used weekly for more than 10 continuous years prior to 1976 and was used weekly in 2002.

- Throughout the time period from 1960 to 2002, I have used the road myself for the following uses: predator control and recreation.
- 6. Throughout the time period described in the previous paragraph, I observed vehicles using the road at various times for the uses described in the previous paragraph, plus the following uses: livestock operations, tourism, wood gathering, hunting, mineral prospecting, oil and gas exploration, and traveling in and through the area.
- 7. It is also the reputation in the community that this road has been open to the public for all to use, to come and go as they pleased, since at least as early as the early 1930s and continuing through 1976 to the present, for the uses described in the previous paragraphs.
  - 8. I observed the graded surface prior to 1976.

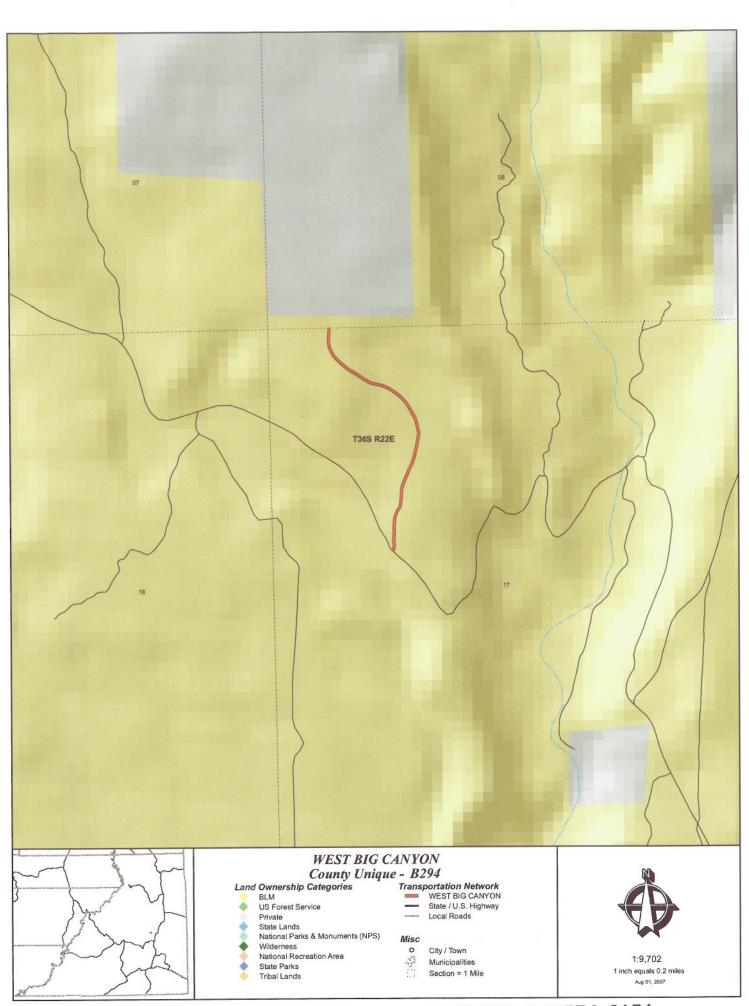
Dated this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of September, 2007.

Albert E. Steele

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2007.

Notary Public
GLORIA SCHRADER
5110 State Office Bldg.
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-2477
My Commission Expires
October 10, 2008
State of Utah

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#### Appendix A to Attachment 4

Popular Name: WEST BIG CANYON ROAD

County: San Juan

County Road Number: B294

State Geographic Information Database (SGID) Road Identification Number: RD190327.

Road-Segment Number: 001

Road-Segment Length: 0.46 miles more or less.

Believed owner of the land underlying this road-segment is: Bureau of Land Management.

The following description is based upon the geographic coordinate system using the NAD83 Datum. The source is GPS mapping grade data as indicated in the metadata and/or the transportation data model of the State of Utah Geographic Information Database (SGID).

The road-segment itself is the monument that is identified by its physical presence on the land. The location of said physical presence is closely approximated by mapping grade Global Positioning System (GPS) data. Said data are checked against the corresponding gray-scale 1-meter Digital Orthophoto Quadrangles published by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to verify a reasonable degree of accuracy. In circumstances where accurate satellite signal acquisition is not possible, such as deep, narrow canyons or under a canopy of dense foliage, or where very sharp curves in the road make accuracy questionable, such portions of the road were digitized from the corresponding gray-scale 1-meter Digital Orthophoto Quadrangles published by the United States Geological Survey (USGS).

This road-segment may traverse:

Township 36 South Range 22 East, Section(s) 8,17, Salt Lake Base & Meridian

The following description closely approximates the location of the centerline of the physical monument (WEST BIG CANYON ROAD)-- Segment 001 based on mapping grade Global Positioning System (GPS) data as defined above:

**Beginning at a point** on the road center line located at 37 degrees 39 minutes 32.18 seconds North Latitude and -109 degrees 31 minutes 36.33 seconds West Longitude, which can be converted to mapping accuracy State Plane Utah South Zone NAD 83 feet coordinates of X = 2,211,588.0 feet and Y = 10,209,829.3 feet; thence the following courses along the said road center line:

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thence North 28 Degrees 09 Minutes 55 Seconds East thence North 01 Degrees 20 Minutes 36 Seconds East 34.1 feet thence North 01 Degrees 30 Minutes 38 Seconds West 46.9 feet thence North 00 Degrees 56 Minutes 11 Seconds East 45.3 feet thence North 00 Degrees 18 Minutes 31 Seconds West 39 feet thence North 02 Degrees 44 Minutes 09 Seconds East 40.5 feet thence North 05 Degrees 33 Minutes 26 Seconds East 40.5 feet thence North 21 Degrees 42 Minutes 09 Seconds East 49.9 feet thence North 30 Degrees 31 Minutes 27 Seconds East 49.9 feet thence North 11 Degrees 09 Minutes 18 Seconds East 47.9 feet
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thence North 01 Degrees 49 Minutes 31 Seconds East 52.9 feet
thence North 04 Degrees 32 Minutes 27 Seconds East 54.3 feet
thence North 13 Degrees 37 Minutes 22 Seconds East 43.6 feet
thence North 19 Degrees 22 Minutes 59 Seconds East 33.1 feet
thence North 21 Degrees 08 Minutes 20 Seconds East 9.9 feet
thence North 22 Degrees 12 Minutes 42 Seconds East 43.7 feet
thence North 22 Degrees 26 Minutes 32 Seconds East 55.2 feet
thence North 24 Degrees 53 Minutes 32 Seconds East 61.7 feet
thence North 19 Degrees 40 Minutes 27 Seconds East 61.5 feet
thence North 12 Degrees 42 Minutes 36 Seconds East 58.3 feet
thence North 12 Degrees 08 Minutes 28 Seconds East 51.7 feet
thence North 10 Degrees 51 Minutes 04 Seconds East 49.2 feet
thence North 06 Degrees 28 Minutes 48 Seconds East 55.5 feet
thence North 09 Degrees 05 Minutes 57 Seconds West 64.4 feet
thence North 17 Degrees 00 Minutes 28 Seconds West 68.5 feet
thence North 26 Degrees 00 Minutes 33 Seconds West 68.1 feet
thence North 31 Degrees 53 Minutes 52 Seconds West 67 feet
thence North 35 Degrees 57 Minutes 50 Seconds West 55.7 feet
thence North 43 Degrees 40 Minutes 19 Seconds West 48.7 feet
thence North 53 Degrees 17 Minutes 19 Seconds West 50.1 feet
thence North 55 Degrees 08 Minutes 02 Seconds West 42.2 feet
thence North 60 Degrees 40 Minutes 13 Seconds West 43.8 feet
thence North 67 Degrees 13 Minutes 02 Seconds West 46 feet
thence North 75 Degrees 05 Minutes 45 Seconds West 38.8 feet
thence North 79 Degrees 06 Minutes 09 Seconds West 35.5 feet
thence North 75 Degrees 32 Minutes 35 Seconds West 43.8 feet
thence North 62 Degrees 34 Minutes 03 Seconds West 50.1 feet
thence North 54 Degrees 26 Minutes 19 Seconds West 52.6 feet
thence North 58 Degrees 13 Minutes 35 Seconds West 51.9 feet
thence North 58 Degrees 45 Minutes 26 Seconds West 43.9 feet
thence North 56 Degrees 59 Minutes 14 Seconds West 42.4 feet
thence North 52 Degrees 55 Minutes 14 Seconds West 50.8 feet
thence North 48 Degrees 15 Minutes 00 Seconds West 58.8 feet
thence North 43 Degrees 06 Minutes 55 Seconds West 54.6 feet
thence North 27 Degrees 50 Minutes 01 Seconds West 52.5 feet
thence North 19 Degrees 19 Minutes 20 Seconds West 51.4 feet
thence North 03 Degrees 24 Minutes 09 Seconds West 48.6 feet
thence North 03 Degrees 11 Minutes 41 Seconds East 48.3 feet
thence North 00 Degrees 08 Minutes 32 Seconds East 41.7 feet
thence North 04 Degrees 43 Minutes 38 Seconds West 14.5 feet
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thence North 04 Degrees 52 Minutes 57 Seconds West 6.6 feet more or less to the ending point at: 37 degrees 39 minutes 51.92 seconds North Latitude and -109 degrees 31 minutes 42.95 seconds West Longitude, which can be converted to mapping accuracy State Plane Utah South Zone NAD 83 feet coordinates of X = 2,211,013.3 feet and Y = 10,211,814.4 feet.